Nothing but the express or clearly implied sanction of the author could justify the publication after his death Tolstoy, 1895-1899 (Alfred A. Knopf). translated from the Russian by Rose Strunsky and edited by the authors intimate personal friend and country-man V. G. Chertkov. This diary consists largely of a series of disclosures of the writer's inmost processes of thought while many of his views still remained vague and incoherent considered and mature conclusions. It stoy intended that these notes should ultimately be given to the world after revision by his friend, the present editor. His widow, deeming them a gift to the nation, turned them over to the custody of the Moscow Historical Museum, and Mr. Chertkov has thus far been able to prepare for publication those portions of which he has

copies. These make up the contents of the present volume.

Miss Strunsky, the accomplished translator, declares in her introduction that the meaning of the Russian revolution which took place in March, 1917, can be best understood through the pages of this journal. "The spiritnew era among men which is being waged so painfully and so uncompromisingly at the present moment upon the soil of Russia." If this be true no apology is needed for divulging so much mental perturbation as these diaries constantly disclose; but otherwise we should doubt the good taste of the editor in telling so much. Furthermore the journal seems tohave been edited on the principle that every crumb which fell from the great relics of the Emperor Napoleon some visitors find profound interest in examining the well worn golden tooth-brush which belonged to his campaign kit. Such persons and such persons alone will care to read many of the insignificant details concerning Tolstoy's daily life which are scattered he got up late on a particular morning, that he tried to work and fell asleep, that he had a pain in his spinal column, that he dreaded a would be good if his back did not adds little of importance to the knowledge of mankind and nothing to have been censored by the

We have in the present volume only Still further on he says: "They four years of a journal which Tolstoy not run after a poet or a painter for more than sixty years. Miss Strunsky suggests that its very formessness of phrase helps to elucidate lessness of phrase helps to elucidate direct physical effect, sometimes acute, sometimes chronic." In another place him as another and the sincere grop-ings of a man's reason toward the understanding of the meaning of life seems to me it was that the peculiarone who had lived much and thought reason only serves her feeling. She canhis memory in Russia to-day is shown made subservient to reason."

ten at Moscow:

"I continue writing the drama. I

it is beginning to resemble a real

"It is now 10 o'clock in the evening.

I em going to supper. I want to work very much but am without intellectual energy, a great weakness pet I want to work terribly. If God "All this time I wrote on the Declara-

tion of Faith. I made little progress. went away. I have stopped riding the bleyele. I wonder how I could have

dinner. I took a walk, slept in the sleep all the time." It may be noted incidentally that in

To the general reader the most interesting portions of the journals contained in this volume are the entries relating to the author's own philosophy and his views on religion,

There is no Tolstoyanism," he deteaching of mine. There is only one the truth which for me, for us, is especally clearly expressed in the Gospels. This teaching calls man to the recognition of his filiality to God and dem from the influence of the world.

ing and no one to ask." bardly assent to the modest disclaimer of their teacher and leader. His social greed of unselfishness and love, even Therefore they constitute a record of still appeals powerfully to thousands the war time. That, of course, gives carrying it into effect may not always to the one that would have adhered be practicable, but the more his gospel to them in any series of years less of service is studied and understood extraordinary. There is much specuthe greater will be our respect for his lation about the effect the war will purity of motive and genuine love for have upon American thought-and

urnals abound with reflections on the difficulty of conceiving the twentieth century America rests really existence of God and the continuance upon manners more than upon fundaof the life of the spirit after the death | mental qualities.

which he lays down with so much em- pretty fit expression—so far as poetry The Intimate Journals of Count Leo dark as to what precisely is the re-ideas and ideals of this time. ligious faith, by the practice of which the social redemption of mankind may interesting, too. We have had a great be accomplished. Some biographers deal of criticism of poetry, in late of Toistoy assert that his latest views years, that has been a mere rattling were in substantial accord with mod-ern Unitarianism. This does not help credit must be given for dressing his us much, however, as the Unitarians criticism in garments of originality. among themselves.

From 1896 to 1898 Tolstoy was en-

gaged from time to time in writing his naturally suggested many entries in his diary relative to artistic subjects. The essential of a true work of art in his view is that it shall be comprehensible. "If I don't not soulful feast. that means that the work of art is understandable." In a work of art, he anywhere tedlous. There is something refinement and power in art he finds are always diametrically opposed. In music Tolstoy's taste seems to have been exceptional. He evidently did not sit through a single act of Wag-ner's "Slegfried." Of this opera he wrote: "It is stupid, unfit for children above 7 years of age, a Punch an July show, pretentious, feigned, en-tirely false and without any music whatever." It seems that in his home at Yasnaya Polyana the househo cessantly on four grand planos, calling this, it became clear to that "all this-the romances, the poems, the music—was not art, some-thing important and necessary to people in general, but a self-indulgence o robbers, parasites, who have nothing in common with life; romances, novels about how one falls in love disgustingly, poetry about this or about how one languishes from boredom. And music about the same theme. But life, table should be preserved and all life seethes with its own problem canned for the benefit of posterity. In of food, distribution, labor, about faith, the Paris museum which contains the about the relations of men. It is shameful, nasty. Help me, Father, to serve Thee, by showing up this

Precisely who the parasites and robbers were whom Tolstoy had in mind when he thus wrote it is not easy to omen than he was on modern music -that is to say, if we infer his attitude from the contents of these jour-nals alone. The editor, however, cautions us that these entries in reality carry no reflection against all women fourney to Moscow and that his health in general. The manner in which women are treated in the diary may be illustrated by a few quotations. thus: "Women do not consider the the gayety of nations. These passages demards of reason binding upon themselves, and cannot progress according to them. They haven't got this sail Poughkeepsie; from there the journey We have in the present volume only spread. They row without a rudder "They do much as after an actor and especially after a musician. Music calls forth "Tolstoy himself knew the value of these documents, for one man was to out something very good concerning but is unable to was of value even if they were his ity of woman's character is that her own, and especially if they were of feeling alone guides her life and that much as he did." The reverence for not even understand that feeling can be fact that the first act of the we find this: "Woman-and the leg-March revolution was to redecorate ends say it also is the tool of the the grave of Tolstoy in the forest of devil. She is generally stupid, but

Takes and to make a sacred pilgrimage to his resting place.

To give an idea of the style of the fournal let us quote one entry, that under date of January 25, 1896, writ
To give an idea of the style of the style of the fournal let us quote one entry, that under date of January 25, 1896, writ
Takes and to make a sacred pilgrimthe devil lends her his brain when she works for him." A few lines further on Tolstoy adds: "Oh, how I would like to show to women all the significance of a chaste woman. A chaste woman for the value of the style of "During these two days the chief Mary) will save the world." We canwas the death of Nagornov. not attempt to reconcile the inconsist Always new and full of meaning is encies which these quotations reveal. death. It occurred to me: They represent death in the theatre. Does it produce one-millionth of that impresent death in the theatre. The notes to the text, by Mr. V. G. Chertkov, add greatly to the interest of the book. They are abundant—covering a charter of the book. They are abundant—covering a charter of the book. sion which the nearness of a real death we are able to judge absolutely accuof them are hardly have written four acts. All bad. But needed; thus, a reader of Tolstoy's journal scarcely requires to be told that Goethe was a German poet and dicat the physical and mental bur-

dens which beset Tolstoy during this such a publication. Several Americans are mentioned by Tolstoy whose identity might be unknown to the reade unless he were enlightened by Mr. Chertkov's notes, as, for example Ernest H. Crosby, son of Chancellor Howard Crosby of the New York University, one of the most promising young lawyers of his time, who be-Chertkov, Birinkov were here and came a prominent follower of Tolstoy abroad, reid Bolton Hall, son of the eminent Irish divine, Rev. Dr. John Hall, minister of the Fifth Avenue and corresponded with Thoreau, re-

one of Tolstoy's works. With the aid of the notes and an ex read Trilby. And I want to cellent index any one at all interested dener by the alterations on the place. in Tolstoy will find this volume a most subsequent entry he pronounces of the greatest character in modern show no mean talent. There is reason

The Poetle Year.

The political economists have passed a Law of Diminishing Returns, but from its operation one business stands Benton, the poet, was a first cousin; clares, "and has never been, nor any exempt, the business conducted by WILLIAM STANLEY BRAITHWAITS, compiler of critical anthologies of verse. From his factory comes, in addition to artist. The author himself, the young. To earth, and they who o'er its miles de-From his factory comes, in addition to the Anthology of Magazine Verse for 1916 (Laurence, J. Gomme). The shows in this essay all the desirable ovalities of a historian, keen human and Company). Mr. Braithwaite's mills grind steadily, and they grind fine. We shall not say that he reduces to his family and the last survivor.

The carth and they who der its miles desort the following fine of the last survivor.

In carth, and they who der its miles desort the first of historians with winds that on dim four never start or wears eyes and healing for each sear interest and an ability to make nature that servow makes, and baim for fall-active as marked as that of Mr.

Burroughs, I is a book that historian was smart:

Fur searth and they who der its miles desort the wast of the first of the first of the continents. There exists are followed and baim for fall-active as marked as that of Mr.

Fur searth and they who der its miles desort the wast of the first of the carthage of the first o therefore of his freedom or his slavery and Company). Mr. Braithwaite's scall it what you want); of his free- mills gr'aid steadily, and they grind of his slavery to God, His will. And poetry to a pulp, but there will be soon as man understands this captious critics to say that with the upon safely. teaching he enters freely into com- materials he had to work on the result munication with God, and he has noth- had to be a mess—and facetious de fenders to retort, Better that than dry. The disciples of Tolstoy, past and And Mr. Braithwaite and the poets sively polite. When motoring along ora present, in Russia and elsewhere, will who work for him really are interest- of the straight roads down through the

ing. These anthologies began in 1914. America's progress in poetry through countrymen. His methods of them a special "interest" in addition manners, we might add, for no small ing: "Exe part of unfavorable criticism of my fault."

what we observe about American stoy constantly urges that a religious change in the soul of the people is that it is being sifted. The light stuff is moving fast down the light stuff is moving fast down the light stuff is moving fast down the wind of opinion to its proper oblivion. The great pad produce, says the National Geographic Magazine, a feult about the size of a duck egg, covered with fine and intelligently to achieve it. The prickles, as full of seeds as the ordinary fast is hard to discover just how he ground have men obey the precept lopped off by time's gnawing tooth, a What we observe about American would have men obey the precept lopped off by time's gnawing tooth, a nies.

The scheme of "The Poetic Year" is of the present day differ so much They are pagan garments. The critic Jason, Cassandra and Psyche, spen1 brilliant days in symposium under the book entitled "What Is Art?" and this summer trees—in a pleasant region naturally suggested many entries in "north of Boston." Here they take scheme. On the other hand we do not believe many who have enough inpoor, because its task is in making terest in the subject to prompt them understandable that which is not to take up the volume will find it idea as it appears in "Conversations on Old Poets." But the quality is much nearer to Mabie than to Lowell. Some folks, no doubt, prefer Mubie to Lowell. They will be Braithwaite's best friends.

A Dutchess County Farm.

Though it is only the story of an up-State homestead that CHARLES E. BENTON relates in Troutbeck (Dutchess County Historical Society, N. Y.), he has unconsciously turned it into a delightful idyl that presents a side of ple, but so obvious that nobody has this way. The author is encouraged and abetted by the venerable John Burroughs, who has known and loved the farm for many years and thinks it and the country about it as lovely a place as there is in the United States. Their earthly records to relate. It lies in the town of Amenia, in strip that Connecticut yielded to New York in the early days of the Union and close to the Massachusetts boun-dary. The farm had been in the poshundred years when it changed ands a few years ago.

Apparently only gentle people wan-dered into the valley, which has very little history. Even the Indians who stayed gave no trouble to the whites and were treated well by them. Moravian missionaries drifted in and the Dutch from the Hudson Valley, then Three spirits came to Peter's Gate. a few Palatines and Huguenots. After One entrance gained-the others walt. the Revolution the author's grandfather, Caleb Benton, descended from or zinal settlers of Guilford, Conn., nade his way there. He built his own four wheeled cart, then hired a sloop and sailed up the sound, around Manhattan and up the North River to was made by wagon. That ploneer Odyssey is made as picturesque as the later adventurous journeys across the plains. The account of the Revolutionary veterans is unusual and indicates the original points of view the author takes.

When the war was ended and they a last received their pay it was in conti-nantal currency, which at once became worthless. By this means the men who had done patient duty in the army for years returned home only to lose their farms and homesteads, and discouraged by their losses and by the general fusion in political and industrial affairs, many lost hope and courage and drifted into vagrancy. My mother often recalled that during her early life there were many tramps of a certain type travelling the country roads. They were harmless, disouraged old men, who often asked for or the privilege of sleeping in the But whatever other wants they wants they might have, there was one thing they never falled to ask for, and that was for just a drink of cider, ma'nm." For this eason they were always spoken of as cider tramps." Cider was then the com-

mon beverage of the country.

Rarely or never were their requests for food, drink or lodging denied, for it was well known and understood by every one but it is best to read history truthfully.

More delightful and vivid are the the life on the farm, the home manufactures that they were obliged to share in, when the hides from the cattle had to be turned into shoes, the vool from the sheep into cloth and the flax into linen by the farmer's family

Both the author and Mr. Burroughs nake the former's brother and the make the former's prother and the latter's close friend Myron B. Benton I cannot say what I shall do. Unless perchance my lans agree was a poet of talent and a writer who vas a poet of talent and a writer who contributed to the periodicals of the She mants to romp when I would rea Concord school, who admired Emerson Perforce become her decile steed Presbyterian Church, a translator of celving the last letter Thoreau wrote. denote by the alterations on the place.

Ceiving the last letter Thoreau wrote. Sometimes a game of ball she wants. Again a round of hide and seek. Again a round of hide and seek. Appeals to her in hidden haunts.

And brings the roses to her cheek. which he named Troutbeck. The drawings by him here reproduced show no mean talent. There is reason show no mean talent. There is reason for calling him a genius who did not choose to develop his talents and was choose to develop his talents and was leave that beams from brightest eye. Lips that caress and arms that twine Paul Goopies

father's and grandfather's large families are vivid and entertaining. Joel Benton, the poet, was a first cousin;

Peom the Springfield Republican
one sister of the author lived to be a

From out the valley's heart straight to

The peasants of Sardinia are excesvalley to Cagliari we saw a man ahead on horseback, says H. D. Wright in the National Geographic Magazine. As the car came up he was so interested in probably the first automobile he had ever seen that he forgot his horse, which unexpectedly gave a jump down into the ditch almost on top of the man, upsetting him and his saddle bags into the mud. When we stopped to examine the harm done and to belp him up he was very much gratified and most profuse in his apologies for having disturbed us, say "Excuse me; excuse me; it was all

Cactus Is Mexicans' Watermelon. The nopal cactus tree is composed of POEMS WORTH READING. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

To My Soldier! Dear Love, I wanted you to know That ever in my heart I go And stand beside you, there

Amid the noise, the flying shell;

keep my soldier in Thy care-God, stand beelde him there!" MAUOR GORDON-ROBE.

The Fields of France.

The fields of France, the fields of France how changed since yesteryear Once fresh and fair as Eden's vale, not grim and gray and sere; here once the ploughman furrows turned now tears the shot and shell. The cannon's roar reverberates where rang

the Vesper bell, here Heaven smiled upon the land now lies the scowl of Hell. The fields of France, the fields of France once moist with morning dew.

Now damp and dank with heroes' blood and stained a crimson hue;

smoke clouds hide the darkened sun and spout a leaden rain, where the reaper's mirth came from out the golden grain Now Death with dripping scythe laught loud mid winrows of the slain.

The fields of France, the fields of France enwrapped in robes of green, p 'neath emiling, cloudless skies, adream in moon's bright sheen, give them back to us. dear Lord, and delightful idyl that presents a side of grant them life's new lease,
American life familiar to elderly peo- O, still the rage of man's red wrath, and And Reason to the world proclaim, the way of God is Peace.

Grosen B. Unnerwood

Three spirits came to Peter's Gate cared not how abhorred and cursed ough what black ways of heart mattered not to make my goal."

I was deficient," said the next, By weakness I betrayed the strong.

"I was sufficient." said the third.

"I sought not to be seen nor heard. My power broke oppression's thrait And gave protection to the small

McLANDSCRUB WILSON.

The Trumpet Call.

From the Boston Transcript.

dreamed last night of the trumpet call.

"Come over and help us across the sea, ome over and help us, brothers all.

We fight for justice and liberty!"

tut my couch was soft and my comforts dear,

not the ones I loved had naught to fear,

So I sent this aways across the sea.

Again in the darkness I heard a call: For the cause of freedom we give our all, In the name of honor and truth and right!"

But my heart was sick with the desperate

But my heart was sick with the strife.

And I clung to peace as this nation's life.
So I sent my answer across the sea:
"The sons of France shall die for me.
Russia's arms and the littish fleet
Will guard this nation against defeat,
Italy's troops are stanch and strong.
And Belgium's faith shall conquer wrong." Out of the East came a piercing cry:

Out of the East came a piercing cry.

"Tis you in your safe retreat who die!
Alive are the soms of France to-day.
O'er the British fleet death holds no swa;
Russia's arms and Italy's brave.
The valor of Beigum strong to save,
These the immortal standards bear.
You are the dead men over there.
In the land made free by the blood of
France,
Boasting the Briton's inheritance.
Strong with the strength of every land.
Your fair flag droops in a nerveless hand.

"With the living nations enroll my name Brothers we waken from our sleep: food, drink or lodging denied, for it was well known and understood by every one that they were old Revolutionary soldiers who had become impoverished by the war. As time elapsed and those who had served in the war passed away the "cider tramps" light for the debt we long to pay.

And when at last in some glorious morn.
The Peace of a ransomed world is born.
And immortal standards in triumph wave.
Over the heads of the free and brave,
Glory of France, and Britain's pride.
With the Stars and Stripes shall be side
by side.

CARDIANE TICKNOS.

The Slave.

From the Scattle Post-Intelligencer, they say there are no slaves to-day, That man is free to come and go, o choose the part that we shall play in what concerns him here below.

And carry her in haste to town

A Mountain Road.

rians of American manners can draw And humbles all deemed great in valley And humbles all ways: sective true that eyes can see And in perspective true that eyes can see Change and changeless things; as mountain aists. On aiste is presed, the rising road portrays. The way to God where climbs humanity!

ARTHER WALLACE PRACE.

Man's Publicity. From the Buffelo Erreino News.
In course of life the average man
is noticed by the press to wit:
His date of birth his marriage bann,
Divorce proceeding and obit.

She Will Not From the Detroit Free Press
Though Fortune waits,
"Tis very wrong
To think that she
Will wait for long.

First Felicia took to knitting, Everywhere she went.

On a wristlet, sock or aweate Constantly intent. Next she took to Red Cross nursing, Making countiess slings. Bandages and shirts and towels

Then Felicia took to canning. Every afternoon Cooking messes in the kitchen, Brandishing a spoon. When of beans, tomators, peaches, Corn and carrots she Wearies, I, hehold! am hoping She will take to me.

MINNA IEVING.

Where did the dollar sign (\$) orig-nate? W. G. J. Although suggestions have been made that the symbol represents the Pillars of Hercules or the caduceus of Mercury it seems less far fetched to regard it as Bridge and Checkers Offer a pictograph of the Spanish arms to be found on all pieces of eight. The list of such money symbols is remarkably small as compared with those for weights and measures. Some years ago the United States made the first Bridge problem No. 441 was promodern addition to money symbols, nounced impossible by quite a number of distinguishing mark for its Philippine those who tried it several asking if it dollar. This may be described as was printed right. At the time it was black letter minuscule p (for peso) with first published in London, some thirty two bars scored across its stem. years ago, it was considered the most

When was the Dewey parade in New September 29 and 30, 1899, the water parade being on the first day.

What is meant by "John Doe" pro-H. H. C.

John Doe proceedings in present usage are such as are directed against some individual whose identity is either unknown or not clearly established. Mr. Doe was introduced into the law as the fictitious plaintiff in the old and cumbersome Emglish action of ejectment. Mr. Roe was commonly employed as a fictitious defendant. Other unknown parties in interest were Jack Straw and Thomas Blue. In the early practice in this State Jackson was substituted for Doe, and in New Jersey, Den.

When was Barnum's Museum at Broadway and Ann street destroyed by fire? Thomas M. M. On July 18, 1865.

Can you give me information regard-ing Count Dillon's Irish brigade in the service of France which took an active part in the battle of Torktown and the surrender of Cornwallis of the Revolu-tionary period? Historian. Arthur Count Dillon was born in Braywich in Ireland in 1750 and at 17 major tenace, ten and six, over B's commanded the Dillon Regiment of the seven and four, in case A discards the Irish Brigade. On the recognition by nine. France in 1778 of the United States Count Dillon claimed for his regiment trumps. Y leads out his remaining the right to be the first to fight the English. April 5, 1779, with the First Battalion Dillonais he embarked at Brest cards. The first and the third trick on the squadron of Admiral de la Motte

Picquet and sailed for the West Indies. The ending depends on the discards of He distinguished himself at the head of his column in the attack on Grenada, and though wounded kept on fighting spade. A must keep that suit, or Z will until the place was taken. He was make a trick with the four. If A disequally prominent in the capture of St. Eustache, Tobago and St. Christopher. In 1782 he was appointed Governor of the last named island. His code of laws was so good that the English, on recovering possession of the Island, confirmed all his judgments and decrees and when he was presented at a levee to George III, the Lord Chancellor publicly complimented him on being as good a lawyer as he had proved himself brave If B lets go the spade, Z wins a trick and able as a soldier.

After displaying great daring in the suit B keeps. siege of Savannah in 1779 Colonel the Count Dillon was made a Brigadier-General in 1780, and Field Marchal in 1753. He was twice arrested in the give up the eight. No other opening will French Revolution, and in 1794 was sent to the guillotine.

Dismounting from the tumbrel which carried him to the place of execution be instructive: an unfortunate lady whose name was called first on the roll was overcome with angulah and pitcously begged Count Dillon to go before her. "There is nothing I would not do for a lady," he said with a low bow and the courtesy which always marked him, rapidly mounted the steps to the scaffold where Samson awaited him, cried "Vive le Roi" in Dillonais the order to charge. ******

Thus died one of the most brilliant gentlemen of the Court of Louis XVI. Great people these Dillons of the Dillon Regiment: they and their regiment worthy to be borne in the minds of those for whom the fighting Irishman has a

Where can I find a history of the Preyfus case? Such a history was published in THE

EVENING SUN on July 12, 1906. The account in the New International Encyclopedia is concise and rigidly fair.

Why is the British court known as the Court of St. James's? J. A. B. Because the official residence of the King of England was at St. James Palace from the reign of William III. to the year 1837, in the reign of Vic- Y and Z want all five tricks. toria. In that year the Queen and all ! The distribution is: Y has the acc of the rest of the royal family moved to hearts; king ten of trumps; queen and Buckingham Palace, so far as concerns six of diamonds. A has the ten of board and lodging, mere physical facts. hearts; jack nine six of trumps; eight of in theory the court still resides at the diamonds. B has the five of hearts; in connection with the present edifice because a hospital for lepers was occu-pled on the site before 1190 under dedi-and presented some interesting endings cation to St. James the Less. In 1532
Henry VIII, took over the property from its monastic possessors, destroyed the and 27. White to play and win. Here buildings and erected the palace, of are the moves that solve : which Hans Holbein is said to have been the designer. While little of the old Tudor palace survived the fire in 1809 the chimney piece in the presence cham-

ber displays the initials H. A. as a re-

minder that at the time it was con-

If black plays 22-29 at "A." structed Anne Boleyn was Queen. What is the proper designation of the round work on Governors Island, Castle William or Williams? Pagganck. Castle Williams, and for the same reason that the equally peaceful settlement a little further up the river is Williamsburg, each being named for the same Black may vary again at "B" by man, Jonathan Williams, a soldier of playing 9-14. Then we get this: scientific training. As he was the! builder of most of the inner fortifications of New York harbor the castle was named after him. When the war of 1812 broke out he claimed the command of There have probably been few checker

broke out he claimed the command of Casile Williams. When the Secretary of War refused to designate him for this picturesque if not particularly effective post Col. Williams resigned from the post Col. Williams resigned from the army and went to Philadelphia.

When is Pather's Day?

There have probably been few checker problems that have aroused so much discursion as No. 422 published in The poker the hands are laid down and show for themselves. The rule for ing a player to declare what his hand is pl It is the first Sunday in June, when bserved. The flower is a rose of any

What is the highest premium on gold our history? G. T. On July 11, 1864, gold was at 285.

PROBLEMS FOR 'SUN' did not see, or a composer of his reputa-READERS TO SOLVE

Many Entertaining Tests

of Analysis.

Ø J 10 6

Clubs are trumps and Z is in the lead

If B discards a diamond instead of

The difficulty with this problem

solve if A and B defend properly,

Clubs are trumps and Z is in the lead

White.

19-23 27-31 31-13

17-14

23— 7 7—11 11—16 27—18

18-19

21-17

11-16

27-20

16-19

20-24

A 2 - 9 12 - 26 22 - 29 1 - 6

6--10

12-19 B 11 5

9-14

5---14

19-24

14 - 18

T and Z want all six tricks.

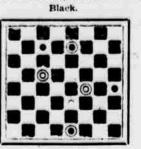
ness to take advantage of it.

The solution depends on a

bution:

Ø9 5

PROBLEM NO. 443, CHECKERS. By H. D. Lyman and Fausto Dalumi, Dedicated to THE SUN Checker Club.



difficult position that could be arranged with six cards in each hand, and the composer, the late W. H. Whitfield, made his reputation on it. Here is the distri-

White to play and win two ways. That is to say, white is to win with two different key moves and to arrive at two entirely different endings.

As F. Dunne never solved his own problem the position becomes the joint property of Messrs. Lyman and Dalumi, each of whom found a solution the other could not find. could not find.

THE SUN has this proposition to make:

There are two distinct solutions, each with its important variations. Readers of THE Sun will consider this the first of the next honor list, and will have until Thursday. October 11, to solve it. No solution will be credited that does not give both ways, starting with key moves.

SCHOOL FOR CARD PLAYERS.

Auction Bridge. H. B. G. says: The delacr bids a spade on the five top hon-ors, nothing else in hand. Second hand bids three diamonds, third hand assists the spades and fourth hand assists the diamonds, bidding four. Should the dealer go to four spades? If not, why

knowledge of a little piece of tactics The modern idea of the bidding is to which is known as preparing for a posbid all the suit is worth at once, if there sible tenace in the partner's hand. The is nothing in hand but the suit. The opportunity frequently comes up in play, spade bid covered that. The partner's declaration on his right, of course assist adds nothing to the dealer's hand and the dealer should pass the four diabut is seldom seen with sufficient clear-Z starts with one of his top hearts mond bid. Perhaps the partner can asupon which Y plays the eight. This sist again. If not, the spade contract makes it possible for Z to hold the

J. J. L. says: The dealer bids two hearts, second hand two spades, third hand three hearts, which the fourth hand doubles. The contract is set for 400. The dealer blames his partner for assist-ing on three small hearts, ace, king and Z's next lead is the spade, which I trump, upon which Z discards the queen another club; king, ten and two small dummy is weak.

The doubling hand had four honors in hearts and ace, king, jack of diamonds. of diamonds, no matter what B disform the foundation for what follows. hearts and ace. king, jack of diamonds. The dealer insists that his bid of two warned his partner that he was long but weak in hearts. He held six to the queen nine. Whose fault was it? If B discards his only remaining

The dealer has no bid, except as a secondary bid to overcall the spades. cards a diamond after B discards a Then the partner could have read it as spade. Y makes two diamond tricks at a long weak suit. It looks as if they once. If A discards the heart, Z'r could have easily saved the game against tenace over B is good for two tricks. the spade contract if Y had led the clubs. He must make two spade tricks if the spade on the trump lead, A can afford to three other honors are on his right. Bidlet go his spade, as B protects that suit ding more to show less, as the dealer Now Y turns his attention to B and does in this case, went out of fashion leads the ace of diamonds. If B disyears ago. cards a heart, both Z's hearts are good

with the four. Z discards whichever second hand a diamond, third hand a heart. Second hand bids two diamonds. What should the partner do when the any time, and it is a continual original heart bidder passes the two dia- held over the suit the partner has that few persons get the heart lead to He holds ace and two small in both hearts and clubs, only two small suit which is not solid the declara-diamonds, and five spades to the jack. start with, and if they do they do not ten. A bets it is no trump. B bets to Here is a little exercise in the man

If the second hand is strong enough agement of the trump suit that should to rebid the diamond suit, he must have omething worth while in another suit, but cannot afford to bid it. This must be in spades, and must be good enough to support a two spade bid from h partner. A no trumper might turn out badly with two suits declared against it, one of which would probably be cleared immediately.

Pirate. G. M. H. says: The first bid bld is then passed up to fourth hand, who holds seven good hearts and bids a heart. This bid is turned down all round. Under the rules no one else can make a bid, as the first and the fourth players' bids are void and the two other players' bids are void and the two other players have passed without a bid. This some he passed in either case fit is surely a defect in the game, as the heart bidder had three top honors.

The defect is in the bid. If no one one bid the diamonds could accept the diamond bid, the suit could accept the diamond bid, the suit must have been solid, and the correct bid was four hearts, so as to be sure to get that solid diamond suit for a partier. When the player wanted for a partner sits on the left and has the first.

The moment Z got in with the player like spides At one table he is queen, having no reentry he are and then the queen. The moment Z got in with the correct like spides and then the queen. say to accept, it is important to make the bid inviting enough to catch him at then led a small heart, wan once.

T. M. M. says: The declarer has bid to make three odd and gets his contract, but not the game. One of the opponents revokes.

No, because there are no trick penal- his partner may keep all his ties for the revoke in pirate. All revokes are supposed to be accidents, and the penalty is 50 points in honors. If In theory the court still resides at the squat and ugly edifice of St. James, and leves and drawing rooms continue to be held there in support of the legal fiction. The name of St. James appears

The has the five of hearts, the penalty is 56 points in honors. If the partner of the player in error falls the table at which A started when he renounces that partner pays the bill. This haw is based on the fact that the king of spades Z did not be spades.

CHECKER ENDINGS.

CHECKER ENDINGS. Problem No. 441, by M. Bemis, had it is neglect to ask that is to blame some interesting variations which kept more than the actual revoke. more than the actual revoke.

> Indian Dice. R. M. C. says: A shoots this case. When Y sucher first and gets an invincible hand in one the diamonds A had to make throw. It says he concedes that leg and takes the dice to throw for the second instead of discarding in eg. A lesists it is his lead.
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> A player cannot take the lead by conlast heart, thinking Z had ! leg. A insists it is his lead.

> ceding a throw, as the lead goes in the making his diamonds Z in regular order regardless of what is spade when he had neither thrown

Euchre. J. B. B. says: The player to end.

the right insists on cutting the cards two or three times. The others object, as this loses time. Can the player insist on several cuts?

dummy made the ten of end.

It is very seldom that the have a suit that he knows is anything his partner as the force many cases in which the are many cases in which the are many cases in which the large many cases in the large Not unless there is some disarrange. have a sure reentry f r h ment of the cards after his first cut or the pack is not properly reunited. One these days of alleged nestron when called after a suit has

eut is all that is allowed if it is regular.

POKER.

W. R. F. says: Playing with the joker, the hand to go as called. A lays down three accs and a pair of sixes, but calls the hand "accs up." B has three tens and claims the pot, as A said he had only two pairs.

When players make their own rules they must settle their own disputes. In poker the hands are laid down and show.

Had the leader ground it.

Fausto Dalumi solved it, but in a way rever dreamt of by Dunne. H. D. Lyman spent two days trying to demonstrate that it could be done by reaching to lay the hand down and then make the ending that the componer evidently had in view, and finally found it could be done, so that the problem was dual.

This is competing that Dunne evidently value is good enough, it wing. This is something that Dunne evidently value is good enough, it wins.

OPENING LEADS AT ROYAL AUCTION

The Play Should Be Guided by the Conditions Suggested by the Bidding

By R. F. FOSTER. A number of persons who enjoy some

reputation as bridge players confess that they are not as well up on the opening leads as they would like to be The is chiefly because they have never here whist players and have not given that part of the play the close attention and study that the older game demanded The conditions under which the opening leads are made at the bridge table vary with the nature of the declaration and also with the bids that have preceded it. There are six principal post-

tions which a teacher in this city used to illustrate with six little diagrams of tables with dots to indicate the sides of the table from which something had been heard before the final declaration was made. These positions are: 1. When the leader himself has made

a bid. 2. When the leader's partner has made

3. When bids have been made by both the leader and his partner. 4. When the leader and the dummy

have made bids. 5. When the dummy and the leaders partner have made bids.

6. When all three have made a bid
When no one but the leader himself
has made a bid, apart from the winning gamble to get his partner in to come through. Against a trump declaration some players prefer a singleton if the have one, but such a lead is always dangerous unless they can stop trump lead before their trumps are hausted. This gives the leader of the singlete

a chance to put the partner in on son other suit and get the ruft that way, it may turn out well by letting him lea

pecially when the final declarat that bid is no trumps.

If the leader holds a fair suit of own that can be cleared perhaps, he too often jumps to the clusion that his suit is better than partner's, as the declarer must have partner's suit bottled up, and that therefore useless to lead it, so he at: his own suit.

Such an opening land on on only two conditions. The first v must be better than his partne is very rare. The second is when the leader can kill any single stopper that the declarer might hold in the parto-suit. It is then a gamble to get a partner in to come through. If the leader cannot catch this store

any time, and it is a continual three stend of one only, or else the partner deprived of a valuable reentry Here is a deal played in one of duplicate matches last winter will shows the weakness of this opening



Z dealt and bid no trump A passed he ran deben his six diamond to cearts at one tuble and at If A opens his hand corre-ing the nine of his partner dence of spades on the diar

B allowed the jack to v Z had not dented assistant

beart left to lead to his porting dummy made the ten of and

cut is all that is allowed if it is regu- it does not take a ver-

ask for a lead, that is a diff